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Mr. Kenneth E. Wenger, RI Superfund Section U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Waste Management Division JFK Federal Building, HSV-1907 Boston, MA 02203

Re: Picillo Site, Coventry, Rhode Island

Superfund Records Center SITE: Pictlo
BREAK: 11.9
OTHER:

Dear Mr. Wenger:

This is in response to your letter of October 27, 1987, addressed to the Mobay Corporation, concerning the above-referenced subject matter.

Your letter came as a complete surprise to Mobay. Mobay, as a matter of policy, is willing to pay its fair share of cleanup costs at sites where it has sent wastes for disposal. However, we had no idea that Mobay waste was sent to this site in Rhode Island. To my knowledge, we have no documents reflecting this and we would very much appreciate any specific information you can give us to show what you believe is our connection to this site. To date, I have been unable to obtain any detailed information from the EPA to explain why you think Mobay wastes were sent to this site.

As you know, there are instances around the country where EPA had initially thought that a company had sent wastes to certain sites only to find out later that this information was incorrect. In a recent Superfund case, I believe originating within Region I, one company which was ultimately found not to have sent hazardous substances to a site was awarded its attorneys fees and related costs by a federal judge. Given this background, it certainly is not unreasonable for Mobay to request that your office provide us with more specific information concerning the alleged Mobay involvement at this site before we come forward with a specific offer to contribute to the cleanup costs.

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Please direct all further communications regarding Mobay and the Picillo Site to me.

Sincerely yours,

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